project at Ahmedabad. They have invited tenders for the construction. They hope to start the construction before the end of the current financial year.

Review of guidelines for the distribution of iron and steel

1022. SHRIMATI MONIKA DAS: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 65 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 23rd July, 1985 and state:

(a) whether the guidelines with regard to the distribution of iron and steel have since been reviewed; and

(b) if so what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) and (b) Guidelines with regard to the distribution of iron and steel are still under review.

Launching of "New Jan Raksha" policy by LIC

1023. SHRIMATI MONIKA DAS: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Life Insurance Corporation has recently launched a "New Jan Raksha" Policy for the benefit of the people living in rural areas; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI). (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The "New Jan Raksha" Policy launched by LIC is intended for persons in rural areas and elsewhere in the lower income bracket or with fluctuating income. Its salient features are as under:—

(1) The policy is issued under non-Medical Scheme.

(2) The sum assured under the policy is Rs. 5,000. Rs. 10,000 or Rs. 15,000.

(3) The policy is availalbe to all eligible lives aged between 18 to 40 years.

(4) The policy covers risk for full sum assured even without payment of premiums upto a period of 3 years after payment of premiums.

(5) for a minimum of 2 years.

(6) All persons covered under the policy are entitled to accident benefit.

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क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि आन्ध्र प्रदेश और कर्नाटक की राज्य सरकारों ने यह शिकायत की है कि उनके राज्य में केन्द्रीय वित्त मंत्रालय द्वारा आयोजित "कर्ज-मेलों" में उनके मंत्रालय ने उनसे किसी प्रकार का सहयोग नहीं लिया ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में प्राप्त शिकायतों का ब्यौरा तथा वास्तविक स्थिति क्या है ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री जनार्दन पुजारी) : (क) और (ख) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और यथा उपलब्ध सूचना सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी ।